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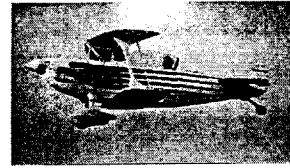
Dear Mr. Ashcroft, Please find enclosed copy of my letter concerning Microsoft.

Thank you very much.

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**Attorney General John Ashcroft  
US Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
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**Dear Mr. Ashcroft:**

**I appreciate the chance to comment on the proposed settlement reached between the Department of Justice and Microsoft in the antitrust litigation.**

**Microsoft was alleged to have violated the antitrust laws by engaging in business practices and predatory pricing. The settlement agreement requires Microsoft to open its Windows operating system to competition from non-Microsoft software. It also requires Microsoft to establish a uniform pricing structure in licensing its Windows operating systems. I believe that the settlement agreement provides adequate remedies to Microsoft's alleged violations.**

**Please move forward with the Microsoft litigation by accepting the proposed settlement agreement at the close of the public comment period.**

**Thank you for your attention.**

**Sincerely,**

**William T. Pearl**